

Appendix

b. Compensation is available only if the level of contamination exceeds health-related standards established either by the federal government or by state, or if the DNR has issued a written advisory opinion recommending that specific well not be used.

3. Purposes and Amount of Compensation

a. In general, funds are available for replacement or reconstruction of contaminated well.

b. Unless claims are prorated, compensation is available for 80 % of the cost of repair or replacement of a well, with a limit of \$9,600 for an individual (representing 80 % of \$12,000 of eligible costs). If claims are prorated, the percentage will be reduced.

4. Compensation Paid Without Regard to Fault

a. Claims are paid without regard to the cause of the contamination.

b. However, certain acts of the applicant may result in denial of compensation.

5. Funding

Act 410 provides an appropriation of \$500,000 from the general fund to compensation.

E. LABORATORY CERTIFICATION AND REGISTRATION

1. Purpose of the Certification and Registration Program

Act 410 creates a program in the DNR, with DHSS cooperation, for the certification of commercial testing laboratories and for the registration of laboratories which do not provide commercial testing services but which conduct tests for certain state regulatory programs.

2. Standards for Certification and Registration

To be certified or registered, laboratories must meet standards related to methodologies, reference to sample test accuracy, quality control and maintenance of records.

F. APPROPRIATIONS AND POSITIONS

1. Total Appropriations and Positions

Act 410 includes a total of \$2,436,300 in new appropriations and authorizes 38 new positions for the 1984-85 fiscal year.

2. Summary of Appropriations and Positions

a. Table 1, below, contains a summary of the appropriations and position authorizations in Act 410.